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PSC APPROVES AGREEMENT REACHED IN WEST 16TH STREET SEWER COMPANY RATE CASE

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement between the PSC Staff, the Office of the Public Counsel and West 16th Street Sewer Company, which authorizes the company to increase its annual sewer operating revenues by approximately \$13,445 effective for service on and after April 27, 2007.

West 16th Street Sewer Company submitted its rate increase request on September 11, 2006, seeking to increase its annual sewer operating revenues by approximately \$34,992. Increases in utility plant investment as well as increases in operation and maintenance expenses were some of the reasons why the company sought a rate increase.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission conducted a thorough audit of the books and records of West 16th Street Sewer Company. Based upon that audit, the PSC Staff stated a revenue increase of approximately \$13,445 was necessary for the company to recover its cost of service. West 16th Street Sewer Company and the Office of the Public Counsel agreed with the PSC Staff recommendation.

The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency representing the general public in cases before the Commission.

Currently, a residential customer pays a flat monthly sewer rate of \$18.00. Under the agreement approved by the PSC, the new monthly sewer rate will be \$26.42. When West 16th Street Sewer Company filed its request in September, it sought to increase the monthly sewer rate to \$36.00.

West 16th Street Sewer Company provides service to approximately 145 residential customers in the Hunters Ridge Subdivision in Sedalia, Missouri.